BERRYVILLE ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

Berryville-Clarke County Government Center MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING Wednesday, December 4, 2013

The regular meeting of the Berryville Architectural Review Board was held on Wednesday, December 4, 2013 at 12:00 p.m. in the Berryville – Clarke County Government Center located at 101 Chalmers Court in Berryville, Virginia.

ATTENDANCE

The following members of the Board were present: Jim Barb, Chair, Ken Livingston, Vice Chair, Susan Godfrey, Gene Williamson and Robin McFillen

Absent: No one

The following staff member was present: Christy Dunkle, Town Planner

Others present: Charlie Beach, Val VanMeter

Mr. Barb called the meeting to order at 12:00 noon.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ms. Godfrey moved to approve the agenda as written, seconded by Mr. Livingston. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Williamson moved to approve the minutes of the November 6, 2013 meeting as written, seconded by Mr. Livingston. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Sign Review

Berryville Main Street, (Kate Petranech, Agent), is requesting a Certificate of Appropriateness in order to install a projecting sign for the Fire House Gallery located at 23 East Main Street, identified as Tax Map Parcel number 14A5-((A))-77, zoned C General Commercial.

Ms. Dunkle described the request. She said the sign is for the Fire House Gallery and will be installed below the existing Berryville Main Street sign. She said she had asked the applicant and the fabricator for details on the installation but had not received that information. Mr. Livingston made the motion to approve the design, asking for clarification of the material and the installation and staff approval after receipt of that information, second by Ms. McFillen. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Architectural Review

Mr. Barb asked whether board members were okay with moving Mr. Beach's request up on the agenda as he was in attendance. Ms. Dunkle said the ARB had discussed this matter with a previous potential buyer at their January meeting. Mr. Beach said he is purchasing 300 North Buckmarsh Street and wishes to remove the additions on the structure. He said he would also like to remove the asbestos siding and replace it with the original siding underneath the current façade. He said he did not have any building elevations for the Board to review at this time. Mr. Livingston asked what the timing of the project is. Mr. Beach said he wanted to remove the additions and siding and secure the structure while he is working on the potential additions to the structure. Mr. Livingston said they did not want the structure to sit

unfinished for an extended period of time. Mr. Beach said it would be less than a year. Mr. Barb asked whether Mr. Beach was going to obtain tax credits. Mr. Beach said he is and has been discussing the effort with Ms. Kalbian. Ms. Dunkle asked whether he anticipated using the structure for a residential or a commercial use. Mr. Beach said he wanted to discuss a possible mixed use and said he would talk with staff about this in the near future. Mr. Livingston asked whether Mr. Beach was keeping the original windows. Mr. Beach said yes. He added that the roof may not be salvageable.

There being no further discussion, Ms. Godfrey made the motion to approve the demolition of two additions and an accessory structure on the property, seconded by Mr. Williamson, the motion was approved by voice vote with Mr. Barb abstaining.

Discussion - Storage Container on East Main Street

Ms. Dunkle said a new owner has moved into 619 East Main Street. She said he placed a storage container on the parcel that is also located within the floodplain area. She said she met with the property owner and he had requested review of the structure from the Architectural Review Board. There was a general discussion about adding a façade around the structure to have it appear to be a permanent structure that would include a pitched roof and appropriate siding. Mr. Livingston discussed a trend in green development reusing structures such as this. There being no further discussion, Mr. Livingston made the motion that the structure was not approved as it exists and that the property owner provide building elevations for review and approval, seconded by Ms. Godfrey, the motion was approved unanimously by voice vote. Ms. Dunkle added that he will need to relocate the structure out of the 100-year floodplain area and will forward information to the property owner.

Other

There was no other business.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m. to the Berryville Main Street office.

Jim Barb, Chairman

Christy Dunkle, Recording Secretary